

in Iraq”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DHS

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Help Wanted at DHS: Implications of Leadership Vacancies on the Mission and Morale”. Testimony was heard from David C. Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

ASYLUM ABUSE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Asylum Abuse: Is it Overwhelming our Borders?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA— DECISIONS BY CLOSED DOOR SETTLEMENT

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “ESA Decisions by Closed-Door Settlement: Short-Changing Science, Transparency, Private Property, and State & Local Economies”. Testimony was heard from Jeff Sikes, Legislative Director, Association of Arkansas Counties, Little Rock, Arkansas; and public witnesses.

OBAMACARE’S IMPACT ON PREMIUMS AND PROVIDER NETWORKS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “ObamaCare’s Impact on Premiums and Provider Networks”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FDA CHECKUP: DRUG DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURING CHALLENGES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements held a hearing entitled “FDA Checkup: Drug Development and Manufacturing Challenges”. Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

BUILDING A NETWORK FOR MANUFACTURING INNOVATION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a hearing entitled “Building a Network for Manufacturing

Innovation”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Reed and Kennedy; and public witnesses.

STATE OF AMERICAN AVIATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing entitled “The State of American Aviation”. Testimony was heard from Susan Kurland, Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2810, the “Medicare Patient Access and Quality Improvement Act of 2013”. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

CLANDESTINE UPDATE

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Clandestine Quarterly Update”. This was a closed hearing.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1157)

H.R. 3626, to extend the Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988 for 10 years. Signed on December 9, 2013. (Public Law 113–57)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider the nominations of Sarah Bloom Raskin, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary, and John Andrew Koskinen, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, both of the Department of the Treasury, and Rhonda K. Schmidlein, of Missouri, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission, 11 a.m., SD–215.

House

No hearings are scheduled.